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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below-named inventor, I René Francois MONET declare that:

My address is RESIDENCE LE CASTEL, RUE YVON MANSENCAL, 33140 VILLENAVE D'ORNON, and I am a resident and citizen of FRANCE.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the foregoing specification, including the claims, and I believe I am an original, first and sole inventor of the invention entitled "Nectarine Tree 'S 6817'" which is described and claimed in the specification filed on August 14, 2003 under serial number 10/642,441.

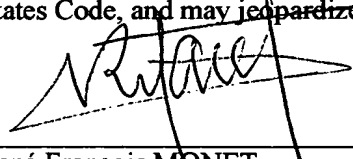
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I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that the making of willfully false statements and the like is punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may jeopardize the validity of any patent issuing from this patent application.


René Francois MONET

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Date